



PINAL COUNTY RECORDER

VIRGINIA ROSS

Honorable Ken Bennett
Arizona Secretary of State
1700 W. Washington St., 7th Floor
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Dear Secretary Bennett,

Please be advised that Pinal County did not have the required participation from the county political parties for the hand count of ballots for the Primary Election, August 26, 2014. Therefore, in accordance with A.R.S. §16-602.C, Pinal County did not conduct a hand count. The following is a list of steps Pinal County took to facilitate conducting a hand count:

On July 8, 2014 a letter was mailed to Henry Wade, Pinal County Democratic Party Chairperson, and Seraphim Larsen, Pinal County Republican Party Chairperson. The letter was to remind them of the hand count procedures, their responsibilities and allow them sufficient time to recruit hand count board workers.

On August 19, 2014 we received a list of hand count board workers from the Democratic and Republican Parties. On August 26, 2014 our office contacted the hand count board workers to remind them of the hand count and to be at the Elections Office at 12:00 P.M on August 27, 2014.

On August 27, 2014 four hand count board workers from the Democratic Party arrived at the Elections office at 12:00 P.M. and three hand count board workers from the Republican Party arrived at the Elections office at 12:00 P.M. At 12:30 P.M. attempts were made to contact the fourth Republican hand count board worker. The board worker informed us that she would not be participating in the hand count. With no alternate Republican or Democratic hand count board workers present, the hand count was canceled at 1:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Pinal County Election Technology Manager
Approved by: Pinal County Recorder Virginia Ross

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